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SUBJECT: FY04 Central Region Earth Team Status Report

The Central Region experienced a slight decrease in number of volunteers; however, an increase in volunteer hours and percentage of offices using volunteers was recognized. Below is a brief overview of the Central Region status report:

	Number of Volunteers	Number of Hours	% of Offices Using Volunteers
FY03	16,780	438,185	76%
FY04	16,526	439,584	80%

Value of Volunteer Time in the Central Region: **\$7.5 Million**
(\$17.19/hour as established by Points of Light Foundation)

Staff Years: **211**

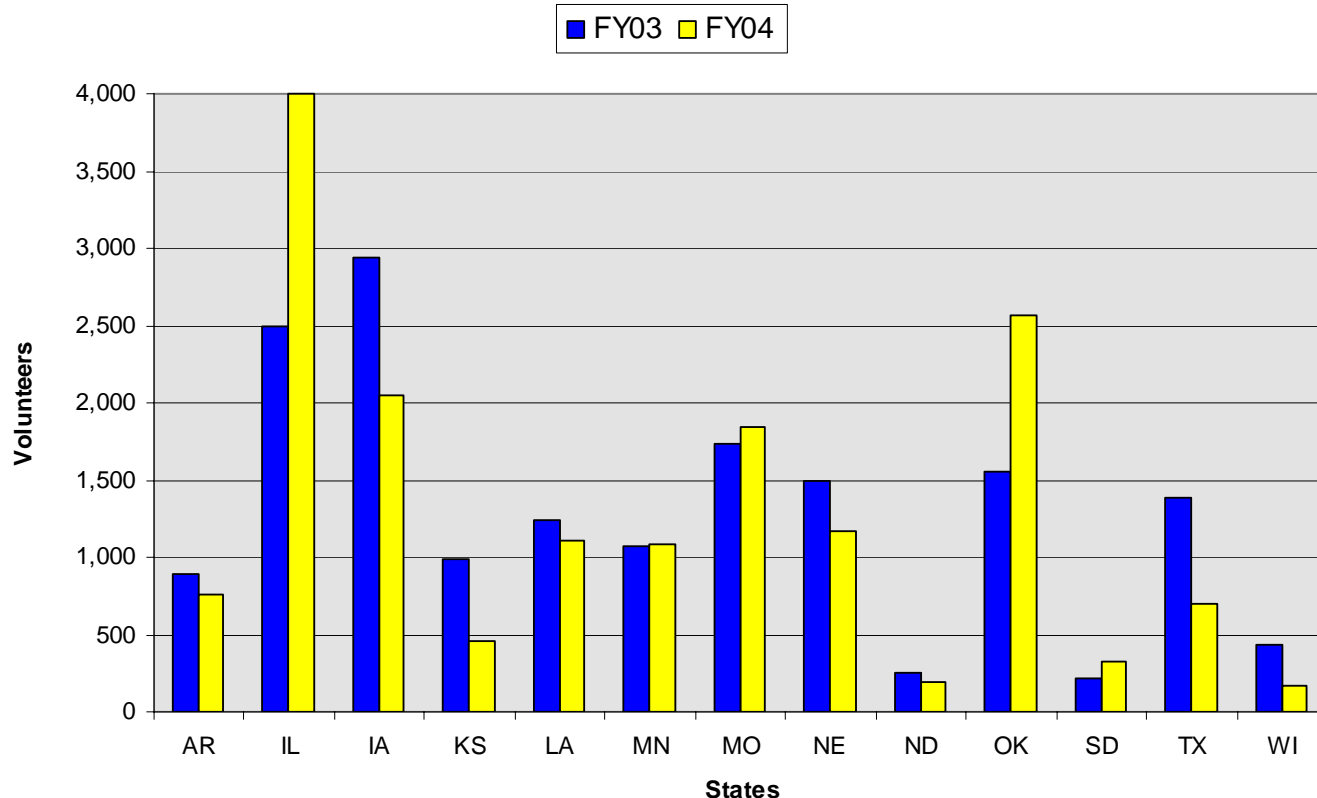
Below is a listing of the various graphs and data included in this report:

- Central Region 2004 Earth Team Status Report. This is a listing of states within the region and provides a numerical comparison of number of volunteers, number of hours, and percent of offices using volunteers for FY03 and FY04.
- Volunteer Graph. This graph shows the number of volunteers in each state and includes the numbers from FY03. Illinois leads the region with 4,006 Earth Team Volunteers!
- Volunteer Hours Graph. This graph shows the total hours volunteered in each state and includes the number from FY03. Oklahoma leads the region with over 89,000 hours of volunteer service during FY04!
- Percent Usage of Offices. This graph shows the percentage of offices in each state using volunteers compared to FY03. Kansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma report 100% office participation!

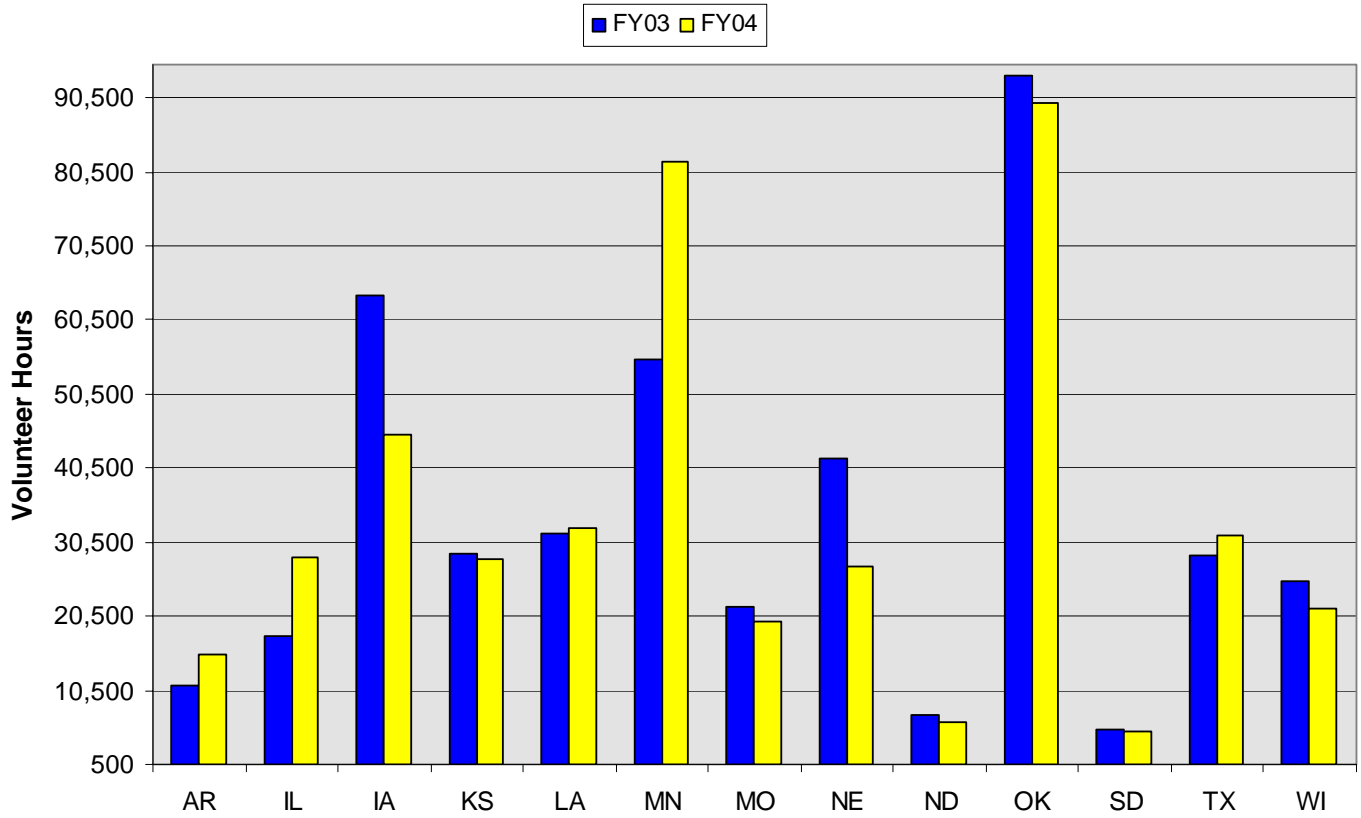
2004 CENTRAL REGION EARTH TEAM STATUS REPORT

STATE	Total Number Of Volunteers		Total Number Of Volunteer Hours		% Offices Using Volunteers	
	FY03	FY04	FY03	FY04	FY03	FY04
ARKANSAS	897	762	11,046	15,371	76%	78%
ILLINOIS	2,494	4,006	17,711	28,517	70%	89%
IOWA	2,939	2,046	63,820	44,945	88%	85%
KANSAS	983	452	29,063	28,289	100%	100%
LOUISIANA	1,240	1,110	31,606	32,526	97%	100%
MINNESOTA	1,069	1,086	55,134	81,941	70%	78%
MISSOURI	1,740	1,843	21,764	19,913	95%	98%
NEBRASKA	1,496	1,172	41,711	27,109	100%	98%
NORTH DAKOTA	248	191	7,069	6,219	51%	56%
OKLAHOMA	1,559	2,571	93,635	89,832	100%	100%
SOUTH DAKOTA	220	329	5,177	4,967	56%	44%
TEXAS	1,381	696	28,636	31,485	51%	62%
WISCONSIN	431	164	25,221	21,569	56%	55%
NAT. ET OFFICE	21	19	1,207	1,492		
LINCOLN SOILS	62	79	5,385	5,409		
TOTALS	16,780	16,526	438,185	439,584	76%	80%

Central Region FY03 & FY04 Volunteers



Central Region FY03 & FY04 Volunteer Hours



Central Region FY03 & FY04 Percent of Offices Using Volunteers

